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USMTN

PASS STR FOR INFO
E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ETRD, MTN
SUBJECT: UNGA OVERVIEW OF THE MTN?

REF: (A) USUN 5231, (B) USUN 5055

1. MTN DEL UNCERTAIN FROM REFTEL (A) WHETHER TEXT OF
PARA 12 AND ESPECIALLY SUBPARA B RELATING TO THE MTN
IN THE LDC TEXT (DOCUMENT L.44) IS LIKELY TO FIGURE IN
THE TEXT OF FINAL RESOLUTION LIKELY TO BE ADOPTED ON
THE "OVERVIEW MECHANISM". THE REFERENCES TO THE MTN
IN THIS LDC TEXT ARE A BIT PUZZLING INASMUCH AS THE MTN
HAS NO LINKS TO THE UN SYSTEM BUT IS A MULTILATERAL TRADE
NEGOTIATION INITIATED BY AN AD HOC MEETING OF MINISTERS
IN TOKYO IN 1973 AND IS OPEN TO PARTICIPATION BY ANY
COUNTRY WHO WISHES TO DO SO (MANY PARTICIPANTS ARE NOT
GATT CONTRACTING PARTIES). THE WORDING OF THE REFEREN-
CES TO THE MTN IS A BIT STRANGE, ESPECIALLY THE STATE-
MENT THAT APRIL 1978 IS THE LATEST DATE BY WHICH THE
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MTN MUST BE COMPLETED; THE REFERENCE TO REFORM OF THE
GATT MAY ALSO BE PREJUDICIAL TO SOME OF THE OBJECTIVES
THE U.S. IS SEEKING UNDER THIS RUBRIC.

2. AUSTRALIAN MTN DEL BROUGHT THIS MATTER TO OUR
ATTENTION DECEMBER 7 EXPRESSING BOTH SURPRISE AND CON-
CERN ABOUT REPORT THEY RECEIVED FROM AUSTRALIAN DELE-

GATION IN NEW YORK TO EFFECT THAT NEITHER THE U.S. NOR OTHER WESTERN DELEGATIONS IN NEW YORK WORKING ON THE TEXT SEEM TO BE AWARE THAT THE MTN IS NOT PART OF THE UN SYSTEM. LOCAL AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION HAS BEEN CONTACTING OTHER KEY MTN DELEGATIONS IN GENEVA TODAY IN HOPES OF HEADING OFF POLITICAL DIRECTIVES FROM THE UNGA ABOUT THE CONDUCT OF THE MTN.

3. WE ARE AWARE (AND HAVE SO INFORMED LOCAL AUSTRALIAN DEL) THAT THE U.S. TEXT ON THE OVERVIEW MECHANISM (REFERENCE B) CONTAINED NO REFERENCES TO THE MTN.

4. DRAFTED BY CULBERT. MCDONALD

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